

Beginning Teacher Orientation Feedback

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1. Mr. Evans, thank you so much for coming out and sharing all this information with us. You were very informative and very helpful!
2. I like that resources were comprised on a flash drive for us. That will be very helpful when it comes to helping me survive my first year.
3. Mr. Evans was very easy to follow and was very informative.
4. I like that we were able to explore the website on the computers during the session.
5. The flash drive handout is a great resource and I am very excited to check it out and see what kind of information I can find. The speaker was very easy to understand, quite humorous and a great wealth of knowledge. Thank you very much for coming to present to us today and I look forward to the conferences later in the year.
6. I especially appreciated the information about the professional development conferences, and also the introduction to the necollaborative website.
7. I liked the Collaborative session because it was very organized and included elements of the director's personal life so we were able to understand what the Collaborative is and the connections to his life. I liked that it had the best of both worlds, formal and informal aspects.
8. I liked having the handout so I could add my notes as the speaker gave his presentation. I loved the wonderful key USB that has different resources for us newbies to have for the school year. I loved the speaker's stories and personal experiences he shared with us to give us an insight to teaching. It was a great presentation and a lot of great information given to us.
9. I enjoyed learning about all of the resources The Collaborative offers to beginning teachers. I also enjoyed the presentation from Mr. Evans and I feel very confident that I would be able to receive additional support from him.
10. I liked getting to work with technology and learning about the resources that it provides. I also enjoyed hearing about his personal experiences as a teacher and coach.
11. Distribution of Key USBs w/ teaching/BT resources
12. Ralph was very straightforward and clear with his presentation. Considering this being my first year on the other side of education, I thought his information was easy to understand.
13. Resources for new teachers on the flash drive and on the collaborative website.
14. I liked receiving the flash drive with all of our beginning teacher packet needs. A lot of times during these sessions we receive so much information that by the time we go home we forget things. I think this flash drive and packet hand out will allow us to easily access these materials from home or work any time we need them.
15. Self-paced
16. Nice to learn SOMETHING NEW

17. I liked exploring the websites that connect beginning teachers to one another and provided resources to use in the classroom.
18. Using a collaborative effort to help in the new teacher experience and learning.
19. I enjoyed that the session was short and concise, and incorporated a hands-on aspect during the end of the presentation.
20. The organization and user friendly web pages. Definitely a resource to use currently and in the future.
21. Exploration of the different websites
22. I appreciated all of the great resources that were introduced to me. I especially liked that we created our Ning pages together. This allowed us to be walked through the process. I loved receiving a hard copy of the PowerPoint to take home for future reference.
23. I liked that we were given resources that will enable us to stay connected to each other.
24. I liked how we were shown different resources that we can use in our teaching career. I liked the flash drive as well as the member's only website.
25. Provided additional resources and access to surrounding districts (network)
26. The presenter's wealth of knowledge
27. I enjoyed this session. Love the communication site for new teachers. The setup was very similar to other forms of social media that I have been exposed to. The speaker was very informative and helpful.
28. The key flash drive
29. Amount of resources available for teachers
30. System of Support
31. Mr. Evans was a great presenter
32. It was comfortable and informative. I felt as if I am important, and could ask any questions necessary, although the information was presented in a thoughtful manner. Presentation was well prepared!
33. What I liked the most about the Collaborative session was the helpfulness of the instructor and personnel. The accessibility to the resources and tools will be beneficial as I began my first year of teaching.
34. The presentation was very informative. I enjoyed watching the conference video and receiving information about being a first year teacher.
35. The support they offer to new teachers. It's encouraging to find all of this support.
36. Website is a great tool and way of getting information out to teachers
37. Presentation was helpful
38. The NE Collaborative was very helpful when I moved into Hertford County in 2008, I can see that it has become even more helpful for our new teachers. The BTWP Key is wonderful!
39. I like how you showed the video about the Beginning Teacher Conference so that we could see why other teachers have found it very useful.
40. I also appreciate the flash drive along with the hands on tour of the website.
41. I felt that this was an extremely beneficial course. The collection of data and resources will be helpful in my journey as a first year teacher.

42. In this session, I enjoyed the information given to identify support resources for beginning teachers. I also enjoyed creating the profile that links me to other beginning teachers and web links. In addition, the video about the Spring Conference held in Morehead City, was refreshing and I thoroughly enjoyed viewing.
43. I liked the flash drive with the beginning teacher welcome packet and the information on the upcoming conferences.
44. I also appreciate the resources listed on the handout.
45. The show of support is welcoming, and helps put me at ease that I will have people there to answer questions that I may have. I look forward to using the resources that you have provided to me.
46. It was very inspirational to hear about the support that is available.
47. The key flash drive and information on the drive.
48. I enjoyed the detailed and informative presentation of the benefits of necollaborative group.
49. Good explanation of website/ning sign up
50. Explanation of conference in spring
51. Looks like lots of good resources to use!
52. What I liked most was the support factor this organization provides. I also liked the fact that we were given a flash drive with TONS of helpful websites and support.
53. The availability of the beginning teacher website.
54. The jump drive with the teacher resources for the first year.
55. The collaboration that is offered to communicate with other teachers in similar areas
56. The September and April conferences to continue with collaboration among teachers
57. Evaluator was very knowledgeable about material that was presented
58. Evaluator exhibited professional décor.
59. Evaluator disseminated materials that would assist BTs as effective teachers.
60. Flash drive
61. Very informative
62. Short PowerPoint
63. Flash drive
64. All the resources given, including the website.
65. Resources for support!
66. "What being an educator is all about" recording was so touching because it shows that teachers do make an impact on student lives.
67. The support the program offers.
68. I enjoyed the presentation. It was very informative and I felt that Mr. Evans really cared about new teachers.
69. I really enjoyed the voicemail message you shared with the group I loved your positivity and encouragement.
70. I look forward to the Sprint/Fall conference.
71. This in-depth information made me feel more comfortable being a teacher. The information in my (BMW) key will help i8n providing information on the Collaborative.
72. Great websites
73. Good communication and support for 1st year teachers.
74. Encouragement

75. Support
76. PowerPoint (visual learner)
77. Personal stories
78. All the information for beginning teachers
79. Lots of good and helpful information
80. Lots of good visuals
81. Passionate speaker
82. Great presentation Mr. Evans as always I enjoyed it.

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1. Nothing can come to mind.
2. Once we logged into the licensed portion of the website I wasn't really sure how to navigate it or what features are offered. Would have been nice to go through that page.
3. With all of the information provided with the handout and the thumb drive, I do not think any changes were necessary to this presentation.
4. Perhaps the session did not need to be as long as it was.
5. Nothing at this time.
6. I would have liked to be given more detailed information about the conferences, and about how The Collaborative can help me in the classroom.
7. I would want teachers to be present next time explaining their experiences with the Collaborative. The videos were great, but I think it would have been even better if we heard from these teachers in person.
8. I really enjoyed this session.
9. More exploration of available resources
10. More description of things we'll be talking about at monthly meetings
11. None
12. More in depth description of what is on the collaborative website.
13. Nothing.
14. NOTHING
15. I wish that we had spent more time exploring the links to different resources.
16. Just add this link to the other website and potentially build in more time to learn more of the capabilities.
17. I would have liked to have received more specific information regarding what is expected of me as a Northampton County teacher in relation to the Collaborative. Am I required to attend the Drive-In and Spring conferences or are they optional? More specific information would be helpful.
18. It would have been beneficially to have more time to navigate through the different web pages.
19. Demonstration or explanation of when the various resources available would be useful
20. I would not change anything about the session.
21. I can't think of anything I would change. It would have been nice to have had time to explore and customize our pages.

22. None
23. Diving more into what is actually available on the website (more time to explore the site)
24. Highlight a few specific resources that are important for first year teachers
25. I would have liked for teachers to have their e-mail and county information before this presentation.
26. I have no comments or concerns about this particular collaborative session. Thank you for your time.
27. Nothing
28. None
29. N/A
30. I do not have any suggestions at this time.
31. It was a lot of information to take in one day.
32. More information about the drive in conference.
33. I don't have any changes! Keep up the good work!
34. Explain a little more about drive in conference
35. None
36. Poor website design
37. Video was fairly pointless. Maybe start with it?

Comments

1. I will definitely be using the websites and resources you gave us. Again, thank you for everything!!!
2. I really enjoyed the presentation and I am appreciative of the information provided today.
3. Thanks for the key jump drive!
4. Overall, great presentation, I was intrigued throughout!
5. Thank you for being so welcoming to us newbies and making Halifax County Schools feel like our home away from home!
6. Thank you for your time and for your support during my first year. I look forward to working with you and The Collaborative.
7. Thanks, Ralph!
8. Thank you!
9. Thanks again!
10. I will look at this daily and use it
11. Great presentation.
12. Thank you!
13. Thank you for taking the time to train us!
14. I already feel like part of a bigger family because of this session. I now have ways to connect to the other new teachers here as well as other teachers in this and other school districts as well as tools to help me with this new school year.
15. Thank you!
16. Overall great resource. Thanks so much!
17. Keep up the good work! I look forward to learning more.
18. Great Session!!

19. Keep up the great work!
20. I enjoyed the topic. Mr. Evans was very knowledgeable about the topic.
21. Continue to do what you do
22. Thank you for your dedication to the education of children and new teachers.
23. Nice job!
24. This organization is awesome. Looking at the website I can see that this will be of great benefit to all beginning teachers!!! Keep up the good work!!!!
25. This resource is needed across the state but I'm glad to work in a district that supports beginning teachers to this extent to have this resource to assist teachers
26. Thank you for your hard work to help us. May God bless you.
27. Very informative. I feel the "Key" flash drive will be helpful resources for future reference.
28. The message from that student really was inspiring beyond belief. WOW!
29. Great presentation.
30. Thanks you for everything that you do! Great resources. From: 1st year teachers☺.
31. Enjoyed the encouragement and support for the 1st year teacher.
32. Really enjoyed the words of wisdom. You will be hearing from me ☺
33. Thank you for your time. It was very helpful and made me a little more relieved.
34. Thanks for all you do for me and the staff and new teachers in HCPS.